



**Tracy A. Henke**  
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## Biography

On January 18, 2005, it was announced that Tracy A. Henke would serve as the Acting Assistant Attorney General (Acting AAG) for the Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice. OJP provides federal leadership to develop the nation's capacity to prevent and control crime, administer justice, assist crime victims and improve the criminal and juvenile justice systems.

As Acting AAG, Ms. Henke is responsible for overall management and oversight of OJP; guides the development of OJP policy and priorities; promotes coordination among OJP Bureaus and support offices; and ensures that OJP policies and programs reflect the priorities of the President, the Attorney General, and the Congress. In addition, Ms. Henke will serve as the National AMBER Alert Coordinator responsible for encouraging coordination of regional, state, and local efforts to establish AMBER Alert plans to aid in recovering abducted children.

Ms. Henke has served as the Deputy Associate Attorney General for the Justice Department since October 2003, a position she will continue to serve in addition to her duties as Acting AAG for OJP. As Deputy Associate Attorney General she provides oversight to several Justice Department components including OJP, the Office of Violence Against Women, the Community Relations Service, and the Community Oriented Policing Services Office.

Before her appointment as Deputy Associate Attorney General, Ms. Henke served as the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General for OJP. Prior to joining the Department, Ms. Henke served as the Senior Policy Advisor for U.S. Senator Christopher "Kit" Bond of Missouri. She also worked for Senator John C. Danforth after graduating from the University of Missouri-Columbia. Ms. Henke is from Moscow Mills, Missouri.